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TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: DOCUMENT RELEASE

1. IN CONNECTION WITH A REQUEST FOR DOCUMENT RELEASE,
A DOCUMENT DATED JUNE 28, 1954 HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED WHICH
INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH. BEGIN QUOTE:

COLONEL CARLOS ALDANA SANDOVAL, MINISTER OF
COMMUNICATIONS, SPOKE DESPAIRINGLY OF THE SITUATION
IN A PRIVATE CONVERSATION LATE ON 24 JUNE. HE SAID
THE GOVERNMENT WAS RAPIDLY DISINTEGRATING INTO HOSTILE
FACTIONS, EACH ATTEMPTING TO ABSOLVE ITSELF BEFORE
THE GOVERNMENT COLLAPSED. THE AMERICAN EMBASSY COMENTS
THAT ALDANA IS NOT AMONG ARBENZ' CLOSE ADVISERS, MAY
BE EMBITTERED, AND OBVIOUSLY FEARS DESIGNS ON HIS LIFE
FROM BOTH COMMUNISTS AND ANTI-COMMUNISTS. END QUOTE.

2. ARA/CEN PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE OF DOCUMENT,
BUT REQUESTS EMBASSY COMMENT. PARTICULARLY, IS ALDANA
STILL ALIVE? WOULD RELEASE OF DOCUMENT BE PREJUDICIAL
TO FOREIGN POLICY INTERESTS OF USG?

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